IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Examiner: Robert C. Watson

In re Application of:

Michael Panosian

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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 22, 2009

In response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2009, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 22, 2009, please enter the following response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicant believes that no fee is due in conjunction with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/CAHD/0008/WBP for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.